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Dear

I have received a referral, asking for a neurological opinion (a neurologist is an expert in conditions which affect the function of the brain, spinal cord, nerves and muscles).

An initial visit (sessions are scheduled for Tuesday or Wednesday mornings) involves listening to you describe your symptoms (the history) and then, a neurological examination. After this, I may advise we arrange some other investigations - such as nerve conduction studies; electroencephalography (EEG); or brain scanning modalities (eg MRI, CT), as part of this evaluation. An explanation (diagnosis) for your presentation is the starting point for appropriate management. Fortunately, not all neurological symptoms are serious.

You can help get best value out of an appointment by bringing with you the following -

1. Your medication - please bring the original tablets in their packets or containers.
2. Prescription glasses, if you use these.
3. A witness, such as a friend or spouse, if you cannot describe your symptoms yourself for example if there are any episodes of loss of consciousness. If this is not possible, then please bring a written account from an observer.
4. Brain or spine images (eg CT, MRI) in your possession and reports from other specialists

Fees: My fee is: including GST. This includes any preparatory work, the consultation, a report and interpretation (but not the cost) of any prior or subsequent tests I arrange, as related to the visit. Further charges may apply for follow up visits. Appointment terms are on the understanding that *you settle my account in full after your visit**. EFTPOS facilities are available.

*I do not bill ACC on your behalf, unless ACC have requested the assessment directly. Please make any claims for entitlements (eg from your own insurance company) yourself, unless I have prior written approval from a 3rd party stating that they will cover the cost of your consultation. If in any doubt, please discuss these arrangements with my staff or your ACC case manager, *prior* to the appointment.

When you receive this letter please telephone my secretary (07 5524624) on a Tuesday or Wednesday 8:30 am – 4:00 pm, to arrange a specific appointment date and time.

Alternatively, e-mail neurologybop@xtra.co.nz at any time, confirm your wish to proceed and we will reply with appointment details.

Let us know if any hospital records or recent scans are needed. The consultation takes place at my home – see directions.

If we do not hear from you within one month the referral letter will be returned to the referring doctor.

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First Registered MCNZ 1981. Registered Specialist, Medical Council of New Zealand 1994
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